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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6342

BILL NUMBER: SB 89

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 14, 2010

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: EMS Provider Criminal History Checks.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Wyss

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides for criminal history checks for employees of emergency medical services operations. The bill also updates a reference to the Uniform Building Code which has been replaced by the Indiana Building Code.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill will likely result in more requests for criminal history checks from the Indiana State Police (ISP). Limited criminal history information can be requested online. As an alternative to performing a search online, a limited criminal history can also be obtained by mailing a request form to the ISP. More requests for the background checks could increase the workload of the Indiana Office of Technology (IOT) and the ISP. Actual changes in workload for ISP and IOT are indeterminable but expected to be minimal.

Background. A Limited Criminal History contains only felonies and class A misdemeanor arrests within Indiana. Completeness of the information is based on county participation.

Explanation of State Revenues: Revenue from fees collected for the checks is deposited into the state General Fund and the IOT Portal Fund (for the specific distribution, see table below). The IOT reports that the Portal Fund is used to maintain and modify AccessIndiana web pages.

| Distribution of Limited Criminal History Background Check Fees | | | | |
|---|---|----------------------|--|---|
| Type of Fee | Information Obtained Through | Amount of Fee | Amount of Fee Deposited into State General Fund | Amount of Fee Deposited into IOT Portal Fund |
| AccessIndiana (Subscriber) | AccessIndiana Website | \$15 | \$7 | \$8 |
| AccessIndiana (Non-Subscriber) | AccessIndiana Website | \$16.32 | \$7 | \$9.32 |
| Mail/In-Person | Mail; In-Person | \$7 | \$7 | \$0 |
| Partial Exemption | AccessIndiana Website; Mail; In-Person | \$7 | \$7 | \$0 |
| Full Exemption | AccessIndiana Website; Mail; In-Person | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Local units that employ EMS personnel would be required to maintain records for each employee. The extent to which local units are currently maintaining records is unknown. The specific impact of the bill will likely vary from unit to unit. The overall impact is not expected to be significant.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: ISP, IOT, Emergency Medical Service Commission, Department of Homeland Security.

Local Agencies Affected: Local entities that provide EMS.

Information Sources: DHS Annual EMS Report 2010; <http://www.in.gov/ai/appfiles/isp-lch/>.

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